RS700 AGM Minutes

Fri 17 Aug 18 WPNSA

Chair: Richard Wadsworth, Theo Galyer Secretary: Clare Sargent (CS)

No.	Agenda Item	Action			
1	Apologies: Peter Onions, Ian Nolan				
2	<u>Present</u> : Colin Atkinson, James Bayliss, Robbie Bell, Adrien Burnand, Matt Carter, Colin Dacey, Theo Galyer, Hamish Griffiths, Adrian Howe, Milan Hajek, Phil Highfield, Michal Kotek, Jiri Lassig,				
	Rich Lilley, Pete Purkiss, Miles Roebuck, Roland Smith, Ian Swann, Roger Taylor, Griff Tanner, Tomas Vastl, Richard Wadsworth, Adam Zaruba.				
3	<u>Welcome</u> : Richard Wadsworth (RW) gave a warm welcome to all RS700 sailors and especially to our European friends.				
4	Committee: a. Richard Wadsworth (RW) stepped down as Chair. He offered to take on the role of Technical Rep. Colin Dacey proposed. Matt Carter seconded. Carried.	RW			
	b. Theo Galyer (TG) volunteered to be Chair. RW proposed. Richard Lilley seconded. Carried.c. Robbie Bell agreed to continue his role as committee member. RW proposed. Colin Dacey	TG			
	seconded. Carried. d. Alex Newton-Southon (ANS) led a huge thank you to Richard for his three years' of hard work. There was loud applause from everyone.	Robbi e Bell			
	e. RW agreed to run the meeting with Theo. He said how exciting it was to have a proper committee. It was agreed to go out to the fleet to share tasks and involve more people.				
5	Matters arising from 2017 minutes: CS to chase progress of RS700 DVD.	CS			
6	Membership: RW called out to the fleet for ideas. CS to organise an RS700 membership flier which will be saved as a pdf and sent to every member with instructions to place on their home club				
	noticeboard. The fleet are keen for more training for which you must be a member. This is to encourage sailors to join.				
7	Fleet communication:				
	a. RW will make a record of all technical advice and bimbles on Facebook.				
	b. The European RS700 sailors agreed that the International RS700 Facebook page works well.				
8	Technical: a. Kicker take-away modification: There are three known systems being used currently: two different methods release and pull in, one method just pulls in. Spike Daniels and Colin Dacey agreed to trial one another's systems. Spike sails on hole 8 and Colin on hole one so the fleet felt this was a good trial of both methods. Spike said that his system enables him to tune the leach so that the sail works properly, rather than on an unmodified boat where it was a test of acrobatic skill as to whether you could get in and out to adjust the kicker. Report will be made on progress of their trial. It was agreed that any modification detail needed to be very specific with clear rigging guidelines. This would mean the mod would be both safe and easy to install.	Spike Daniel s, Colin Dacey , RW			
	 b. Attachment of sailor to main sheet: RW is concerned about how sailors are attaching themselves to their mainsheets without a safe method of release. RW will conduct a review of this with Alex Newton-Southon. c. Granny bar position: Concern was raised about possible entrapment with incorrectly secured granny bars. It was advised that the pins must be engaged securely. d. Control lines safety review: Control lines run forward but there is risk of the sailor catching buoyancy aid when climbing in between the granny bars and rack after a capsize. Safety aspects of the rigging / bimbles will be reviewed as part of the class rules review. e. New sail: ANS briefed how a new sail was in development but not near ready for demonstration or discussion. 	RW & ANS RW & ANS RW & ANS			
	f. Spar quality control issues: The holes do not align in either the new mast spreaders or the	ANS			

	new gooseneck pads (which are too thick). ANS asked for all such issues to be reported to him for remedy.					
	g. Superspars mast supply: ANS warned that SuperSpar mast supply delay problems were					
	worsening up to a point where there is risk that a new supplier may need to be appointed,					
9	despite the product being of the highest quality. Review of 2018 season so far: SnetFest was fab. The Summers had a low turnout. It was agreed that					
	events without a good home fleet were high risk. Lymington attendance suffered due to clash with					
	big sailing events and poor weather forecast. The Europeans and Nationals has a great turnout.					
10	Preview of 2019 calendar: Robbie Bell will investigate SnetFest 3 on May Bank Holiday. Roger Smi					
	will investigate guests sailing at HISC. Miles Roebuck suggested Oxford SC as a good venue, especially					
	for training. Afternote: Please note change of June event from Lymington to HISC one weekend later.					
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	Date 2019	Event and location	Event Type			
	2-3 Mar	Dinghy Show, Alexandra Palace	Show			
	20-22 Apr	French Open Skiff, Lac du Der	Open			
	tbc May	SnetFest Three at Snettisham Beach SC	National Tour event number one			
	22-23 June	Hayling Island SC Summer Open Meeting	National Tour event number two			
	6-7 July	East Coast Piers Race weekend, Marconi SC	Open event			
	22-26 July	European Championship, Torbole, Lake Garda	European Championship			
	5-8 Sept	National Championship, Eastbourne Sovereign SC	National, weekend is NT event number three			
	12-13 Oct	Brightlingsea Skiff Fest	National Tour event number four			
	2-3 Nov	Inland Championship, Queen Mary SC	Inland Championship, NT event number five	ANS		
	ANS will provide a Volvo and six boat stacker for the RS700s to take to Garda. RW will coordinate a group to share transport and costs to Garda.					
11	AOB:					
	a. Request to change colour of class flag because pale grey is difficult to see against British sky and next to RS800 white flag.					
	 b. Theo thanked everyone for attending. c. Theo has fresh ideas and is looking forward to being RS700 Chair. He wants to continue RW's good work. He asked everyone to contact him with ideas: theo.galyer@gmail.com 07885 553360 					
12	Date of next meeting: At 2019 Nationals Eastbourne SSC 5-8 Sept 2019.					
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